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Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, Chairman

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FROM:

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SUBJECT:

NOTIFICATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES' EXECUTION OF TWO WORK ORDERS

FOR SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SERVICES WITH HOUSING WORKS AND WEST BAY HOUSING

CORPORATION

This is to advise the Board that the Department of Health Services (DHS) has completed a competitive selection process and executed two Work Orders under the Supportive Housing Service Master Agreement for Intensive Case Management Services with Housing Works and Property Related Tenant Services with West Bay Housing Corporation. County Counsel has reviewed and approved both Work Orders.

The Supportive Housing Services Master Agreement was approved by the Board on June 19, 2012, and I indicated DHS would provide notice to the Board when individual work orders were executed. The purpose of the Master Agreement is to expand access to supportive housing options for DHS patients who are homeless, who have a chronic illness or disability, or are high utilizers of DHS services. Permanently housing homeless persons with these complex health conditions will result in improved health outcomes and reduced costs to the public health system.

The Work Orders with Housing Works and West Bay Housing Corporation support the Neighborhood Stabilization Program Permanent Supportive Housing Project (NPSHP). The NPSHP includes 15 properties with 56 units in South Los Angeles. The Work Order with West Bay Housing Corporation will provide Property Related Tenant Services which includes property management, site maintenance and repair, building security, rent collection, customer service, and coordination with service providers. The Work Order with Housing Works will provide Intensive Case Management Services which includes outreach and engagement to the target population; establishment of a case management plan; linkage to health, mental health, and substance

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use disorder services; assistance with benefits establishment; regular meetings with clients; etc. It is anticipated that the clients, who will be housed through NPSHP, will begin moving into their units this month.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

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